

### REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 4, 7, 8, 14, 15 and 17 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Mocivnik et al Wo 98/58132. Claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 9-13, and 16 were allowed.

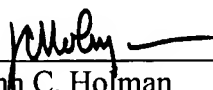
Applicant would like to thank Examiner Neuder for the consideration given applicant's attorney at the interview of January 18, 2006. At the interview, agreement was reached to patentably distinguish the present invention over the patents of record. The agreed upon Amendments have been formally presented above. Accordingly, as agreed at the interview, the application should be in condition for allowance.

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the claims in the present application, as they now stand, patentably distinguish over the references cited and applied by the Examiner and are, therefore, in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is in order, and such favorable action and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

However, if after reviewing the above amendments and remarks, the Examiner has any questions or comments, he is cordially invited to contact the undersigned attorneys.

Respectfully submitted,

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